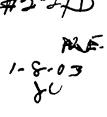


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Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed September 26, 2002, Applicant herein amends the above-identified application. Please amend claims 1, 9, 16, and 23 to read as set forth below.

In the Claims

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Twice Amended) A recording apparatus comprising:

recording means for recording a first data set in a recording medium;

input means for designating a start point and an end point of a desired second data set, wherein said second data set is a subset of said first data set to be recorded in or already recorded in said recording medium by said recording means; and

control means, for controlling said recording means so as to endlessly-record and overwrite a non-designated portion of said first data in said recording medium which excludes said designated second data, such that the recording means endlessly records data in the

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